



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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Gary Sender, Treasurer
Merck PAC - The Political Action Committee for
Merck & Co., Inc.
601 Penn Avenue N.W., N. Building, Suite 1200
Washington, DC 20004

MAY 31 2002

Identification Number: C00097485

Reference: April Monthly (3/1/02-3/31/02)

Dear Mr. Sender:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Schedule B supporting Line 23 of your report discloses one or more contributions to a candidate(s) for the 2002 primary election; however, the funds were disbursed after the election date(s) (pertinent portion(s) attached). Please note that contributions may not be designated for an election which has already occurred unless the funds are to be used to reduce a candidate committee's debts incurred during that election campaign.

If any apparently impermissible contribution in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with clarifying information.

If you have made an impermissible contribution, you must request a refund or provide a written authorization for a redesignation of the contribution pursuant to 11 CFR § 110.2(b) within 60 days of the treasurer's receipt.

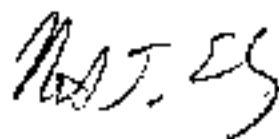
If the foregoing conditions for redesignations were not met within 60 days of the treasurer's receipt, your committee must obtain a refund.

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action immediately in writing and provide a photocopy of the refund or redesignation request sent to the recipient committee(s). In addition, any refunds should be disclosed on Schedule A supporting Line 16 of the report covering the period during which they are received. Any redesignations should be disclosed as memo entries on Schedule B supporting Line 23 of the report covering the period during which the redesignation is made. 11 CFR § 110.1(b)

Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding this impermissible activity, your prompt action in obtaining a refund and/or redesignating the contribution(s) will be taken into consideration.

Any amendment or clarification should be filed with the Federal Election Commission. Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division). My local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,



Nicholas T. Ebinger
Reports Analyst
Reports Analysis Division

**SCHEDULE B (FEC Form 3X)
ITEMIZED DISBURSEMENTS**

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NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full)

MERCK PAC, The Political Action Committee of Merck & Co., Inc.

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)

A. Thune for Senate

Date of Disbursement

03 / 20 / 2002

Mailing Address

U.S. House of Representatives 1005 Longworth House Office Bldg.

City State Zip Code
Washington DC 20515-0001

Amount of Each Disbursement this Period

1000.00

Purpose of Disbursement

Contribution: John R. Thune (SD-1-R)

Candidate Name

John Thune (SD-R)

Category/
Type

Contribution: John R. Thune (SD-1-R)

Office Sought: House
X Senate
President

Disbursement For: 2002
X Primary General
Other (specify) ▼

Transaction ID: D2917

State: SD District:

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)

B. Warner for Senate

Date of Disbursement

03 / 20 / 2002

Mailing Address

P.O. Box 3536

City State Zip Code
Merrifield VA 22116

Amount of Each Disbursement this Period

1000.00

Purpose of Disbursement

Contribution: John Warner (VA-R)

Candidate Name

John Warner (VA-R)

Category/
Type

Contribution: John Warner (VA-R)

Office Sought: House
X Senate
President

Disbursement For: 2002
X Primary General
Other (specify) ▼

Transaction ID: D2918

State: VA District: 0

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)

Mike Honda for Congress

Date of Disbursement

03 / 20 / 2002

Mailing Address

1628 Columbe Road, NW, #824

City State Zip Code
Washington DC 20009

Amount of Each Disbursement this Period

1000.00

Purpose of Disbursement

Contribution: Mike Honda (CA-15-D)

Candidate Name

Mike Honda (CA-15-D)

Category/
Type

Contribution: Mike Honda (CA-15-D)

Office Sought: X House
Senate
President

Disbursement For: 2002
X Primary General
Other (specify) ▼

Transaction ID: D2919

State: CA District: 15

SUBTOTAL of Disbursements This Page (optional)

3000.00

TOTAL This Period (last page this line number only)

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California
primary:
3/5/02

